



**PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD MEETING
AGENDA ITEM
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, September 09, 2026**

SUBJECT

Change Order Number 1 – Bid Number 63-24, Northeast Aquifer Storage & Recovery (ASR) Enhanced Arroyo Phase 1B

BACKGROUND

The Northeast Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Enhanced Arroyo Phase 1B project is currently under construction. The original design anticipated that planned upstream development by a third party would include stormwater infrastructure and controls to capture, manage, and reduce runoff entering the ASR facility. However, because the anticipated upstream third-party development has not occurred, these stormwater controls have not yet been constructed resulting in runoff from undeveloped upstream areas continuing to discharge toward the ASR facility.

During recent monsoon events, stormwater runoff from these undeveloped upstream areas entered the ASR facility at volumes and velocities greater than those anticipated under the original design conditions. The increased runoff caused erosion within portions of the enhanced arroyo that had already been constructed. Due to the absence of the anticipated upstream stormwater controls, targeted stabilization improvements are required to address the eroded areas, provide additional protection against similar runoff conditions, and restore the facility to its intended operating condition.

In addition, the work includes a tie-in to the existing 20-inch reclaimed water line to connect the Phase 1B improvements to the existing reclaimed water system. The additional stabilization and tie-in work will increase the original contract price by 4.33% and extend the contract time by 160 days.

PRIOR PSB ACTION:

- On November 11, 2024, the Public Service Board awarded Bid Number 63-24 Northeast Aquifer Storage & Recovery (ASR) Enhanced Arroyo Phase 1B to ZTEX Construction Inc.

UTILITY KPI ALIGNMENT

Total Water Supply

EVALUATION PROCESS

EPWater staff along with the project consulting engineer evaluated the proposed cost submitted by the contractor, verified the effort to carry out the work and negotiated an agreeable cost. The cost submitted is in line with current industry trends.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

This expenditure is part of the approved budget.

PROPOSED ACTION REQUESTED

Consider and approve Change Order Number 1 for Bid Number 63-24, Northeast Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) Enhanced Arroyo Phase 1B with ZTEX Construction Inc. in the amount of \$683,658.50 and increasing the contract time by 160 calendar days.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION PROVIDED

- None